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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, please amend the last paragraph as follows:

--For instance, U.S. Pat. No. 3,690,320 and GB patent applications Nos. 2 268 065 and 2 000 683 disclose collecting bag with closure devices, in which strips of the interlocking-elements type, such as ~~Velcro~~ VELCRO hook and loop fastening elements, are placed on each of the film blanks of the discharge portion and which after folding the discharge portion tightly are brought into contact with each other.--

On page 7, before line 2, insert the following new paragraph:

--Further scope of applicability of the present invention will become apparent from the detailed description given hereinafter. However, it should be understood that the detailed description and specific examples, while indicating preferred embodiments of the invention, are given by way of illustration only, since various changes and modifications within the spirit and scope of the invention will become apparent to those skilled in the art from this detailed description.--.